# God Dignity/Seattle

# **Newsletter**Warch 2011

## Dignity & St. Ignatius Liturgy Schedules

Ravenna United Methodist Church 5751-33<sup>rd</sup> Ave NE Seattle

Every Sunday → 10:00 a.m. St. Ignatius (UPSTAIRS)

Mar 13, Apr 10 → 6:00 p.m. Dignity/Seattle

A pancake breakfast following St. Ignatius Mass is held every 4th Sunday (March 27), a shared fellowship with our host, Ravenna UMC.



## Upcoming Events of Interest

March 10, Thursday: Volunteer Night at Food Lifeline

March 12, Saturday: "Pink Smoke Over The Vatican" with Roy Bourgeois

March 13, Sunday: Regular Dignity Mass

March 22, Tuesday: Equality Day in Olympia

March 27, Sunday: Dignity at St. Ignatius

1st Quarter Celebration Brunch, February 19 at Galerias Restaurant

## Volunteer Right at Food Lifeline

Thursday, March 10, 6:00 p.m. 1702 NE 150th St, Shoreline

Dignity/Seattle will be volunteering at Food Lifeline again this month. Come join us for a fun evening helping the hungry of our region by repacking food. First we did cereal, then potatoes; what will we do this month? Come find out on Thursday, March 10th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Food Lifeline Warehouse in Shoreline. Please let us know if you are coming by e-mailing dignity.seattle@gmail.com.

Also, mark your calendar now for our next volunteer night on May 12th. We have scheduled our volunteer nights on the 2nd Thursdays of odd-numbered months.



Happy St. Paddy's Day!



#### **Roy Bourgeois**

## "Pink Smoke Over The Vatican"

Saturday, March 12, 3:00 p.m. 2100-24th Ave S (between S Hill & S Walker Sts, one block east of Rainier Ave S)

Cost: A suggested \$10 donation or as you are able.

The one-hour documentary, "Pink Smoke Over The Vatican," will be shown by Father Roy Bourgeois, The documentary is about women seeking ordination into the Roman Catholic Church and has garnered film festival awards, received mention in Time Magazine and stirred up a hornet's nest of opinions. The film is an engaging, touching, and surprisingly humorous exposé of one answer to a serious question: Where is the voice of women in the Roman Catholic Church?

A question & answer session will follow the film presentation, along with a reception.

## Board Members & Contact Info

## 2010-2011 Dignity/Seattle Board Members

Paula Lavallee President
Paula Hills Vice President
Delia Vita Treasurer
Denise Arceneaux Secretary, Liturgy
Alan Scott At large, Social

#### **DignityUSA Board Member from Seattle**

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We provide a safe environment for people to reconcile our God-given gifts of sexual orientation and our Catholic faith through gay-affirming liturgies. Being part of the Dignity/Seattle family means claiming ownership of our faith and living up to the responsibilities of that ownership.

## Dignity Board Meeting Minutes, February 1, 2011

[Unofficial minutes; edited for publication]

Meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m. at Delia Vita's house. Dignity prayer was read. All board members were present. Minutes were read.

**M/M/S/C:** To approve the October 14, 2010 meeting minutes as submitted.

#### President's report: (Paula Lavallee)

Paula responded to e-mails and voicemails. She also responded to Facebook requests but still has things to learn on Facebook.

### Treasurer's report: (Delia Vita) November 2010—February 2011

#### Checking Acct.

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Beginning Balance:	\$4,017.86
Deposits:	
Collection November	130.00
Collection December	145.00
Collection January	160.00
Donation from members and friends	
Membership:	10.00
Donation:	20.00
Donation:	1,200.00
Total Deposits:	\$1665.00
Sub-Total:	\$5,682.86

#### Expenses:

Liturgy stipend (Nov—Dec)	60.00
Liturgy supplies	31.00
Newsletter mailing & printing (Nov)	45.51
Newsletter mailing & printing (Dec)	48.18
Newsletter mailing & printing (Jan)	33.13
Rent – RUMC (Nov—Dec)	200.00
Rent – RUMC (Jan—Feb)	200.00
DignityUSA membership	50.00
McArron Web Design	10.00
Christmas Party	50.67
Total Expenses & Donations:	\$728.49
Ending Balance:	\$4,954.37

Scholarship fund for membership: \$100.00 **Total Available Funds:** \$4,854.37

Savings Acct..

Beginning Balance: \$1,601.18
Interest income 0.15
Ending Balance: \$1,601.33

**M/M/S/C:** To accept the October-February financial reports as submitted.

Social Committee: (Alan Scott and Delia V.)

There was a good crowd at Mike and Mark's Christmas Party..

<u>Liturgy Committee: (Denise Arceneaux)</u> Philip Knowles will preside in February.

#### **Old Business:**

- Membership packets: Paula L. still has to work on membership packets.
- St. Ignatius E.C.C. fourth Sunday of the month: Dignity members have been attending the Mass..
- Volunteer Opportunities: The Food Lifeline event on Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> was attended by 12 people. Paula L. will set up dates in May and July.
- New music books: There is no discount for new music books and the language is not inclusive so we still need to make word changes.

**M/M/S/C:** To purchase 15 new "Spirit and Song" books as well as piano accompaniment. Paula Hills will order them.

• Paula Hills will contact the woman who might be interested in doing Liturgy sometimes.

#### **New Business:**

- All of those addresses in our e-mail account which have come back as undeliverable will be put into a "folder" and removed from the distribution list.
- Paula L. received an e-mail from Margaret Johnston who is doing a cultural immersion project about being Catholic and GLBT and wants to interview someone from our group. Paula L. will invite her to both the social and the Mass and Alan will contact Greg.

- The 1st Quarter Birthday/Anniversary social is on February 19th at Galerias at 12:30 p.m. Alan has received 9 yeses, 3 no's and a bunch of no responses so far.
- Pride Breakfast: Central Lutheran Church is reserved for June 25<sup>th</sup>. We will just place an ad for \$75 in the SGN for the week before Pride week. Delia will work with the ad and show it to us all at the next meeting. Alan plans to generate the tickets in early May. We are still collecting ink cartridges and laptops.
- Pat McArron is increasing his website maintenance fee to \$20 for the year. Paula L. said that there is another option. Chapters can now do it through the national website. We decided to continue to use Pat McArron instead.
- Summer Picnic: Seattle Parks will be posting online applications during the week of Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>. The Board will send the dates we're unavailable and will fill out the application when it's posted.

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at Delia Vita's house.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Denise Arceneaux

## Equality Day 2011 Tuesday, March 22 in Olympia

Equality Day 2011 is your opportunity to engage with your legislators in person. On March 22nd, you can educate your legislators about your lives. Tell them how the decisions they make help you contribute fully as a member of the community, promote your freedom to love who you love, and live healthy productive lives. We have many opportunities this year to support our families by creating protections for children and parents in the Uniform Parentage Act, creating a safe and supportive educational environment for our students, promoting awareness of HIV/AIDS and good public health, and making progress toward marriage equality. For more information and to register for Equality Day in Olympia, please visit Equal Rights Washington's website: http://www.equalrightswashington.org.

Note: Call To Action—Western Washington will meet on the Capitol steps at noon.

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Monday, March 7, 7:30 p.m. Business meeting at Kevin/Don's. 604/874-3428.

<u>Saturday, February 19, 6:00 p.m.</u> Joint Worship Liturgy & Pot-Luck Supper at Gerry's. 604/435-1950.

Make plans to attend Convention 2011
In our nation's capital
Friday—Monday, July 1—4, 2011
Register online:
http://conv2011.dignityusa.org

